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Greensborough & District Angling Club Inc.

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Newsletter

Trips/Events/Competitions

FEBRUARY 05

27 Freshwater (Yarra River)

MARCH 05

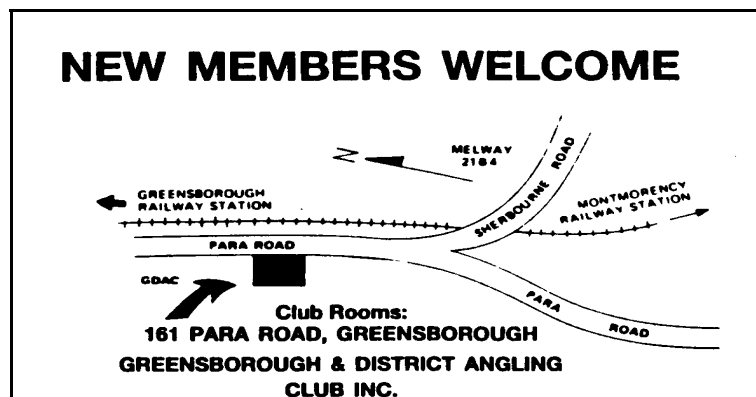
10 General Meeting
12-14 Bemm River, (Labour Day)
24 General Meeting
25-28 Easter

APRIL 05

2-3 Ammendola Bussey Trophy
7 General Meeting
10 Whiting (St Leonards)
21 General Meeting

May 05

1 Casting Comp (Yarrambat Park)
5 General Meeting
15 Eildon Pondage and Goulburn River
19 General Meeting
21-22 Lake Mulwala



General Meetings are held every second THURSDAY of the month.

[Http://www.home.vicnet.net.au/~gdac/](http://www.home.vicnet.net.au/~gdac/)

Boat operating rule near Fawkner Beacon

A new operating rule for the safety of all recreational boaters in Port Phillip Bay has been approved by Marine Safety Victoria (MSV).

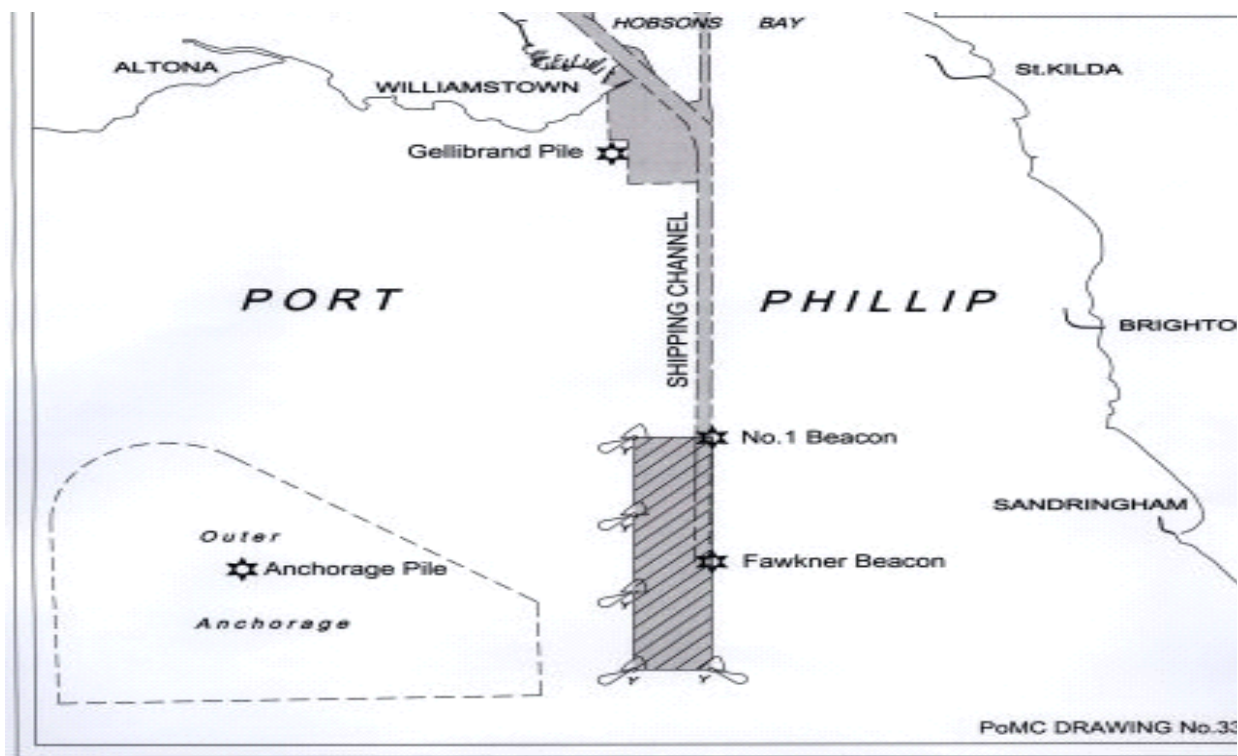
The new operating rule prohibits any vessel from anchoring, mooring, drifting or engaging in fishing activities near Fawkner Beacon.

This has been introduced to prevent potential collisions by keeping recreational and small commercial vessels clear of commercial shipping entering or leaving the Port Melbourne Channel.

The 4.5 square kilometre area will be marked with yellow buoys from Wednesday 8 December. [\(See diagram below.\)](#)

Boat operators may transit through the area in a direct line and at a safe speed keeping clear of all shipping. It is important that all recreational boaters and small commercial operators comply with these regulations for the safety of passengers on board their vessel.

All boaters need to be aware of the risk to their safety of restricting or blocking the passage of large commercial ships, which can be more than 280 metres long and 40 metres wide. Small boats are difficult to see from a ship's bridge.



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Fish-e-Fax

A fortnightly round-up of recreational fishery management issues

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Tracking Gippsland Bream

Special electronic tagging of black bream in the Gippsland Lakes and its tributaries will enable their movements to be broadcast to a team of researchers during the next two years.

Twenty-seven listening stations have been installed around the Gippsland Lakes and its tributaries to monitor the movements of tagged black bream.

Researchers will be able to track the bream because the fish have been fitted with small electronic tags that can transmit signals up to 500 metres.

The Gippsland Lakes support the largest recreational and commercial black bream fisheries in Victoria.

However, over the past two years catches of black bream in the Lakes system have declined substantially leading to the introduction of interim increased size limits to protect remaining adult stocks until there are signs of recovery.

The reasons for the decline in bream numbers in recent years, while complex, are likely to include changes to the aquatic habitat and environment of the Lakes system leading to declining spawning success or survival.

A team of researchers from Primary Industries Research Victoria (PIRVic), lead by Dr Jeremy Hindell, will be monitoring the movements of black bream to help us better understand this species.

“We will be looking at movement patterns of black bream in and around the lakes, including their use of different habitats under a range of environmental conditions,” Dr Hindell said.

Closed Season Cod Costs Money

In early February 2005, a Ballarat man was fined \$750 without conviction plus ordered to pay \$182 in costs in the Bendigo Magistrates court. The 54 year old man was charged by the Department of Primary Industries for possessing Murray cod during the closed season as well as possessing Murray cod under the minimum legal length of 50cm.

As outlined in Fish-e-Fax Issue 134, the man was detected with the Murray cod over the November 2004 Cup weekend after being intercepted by DPI Fisheries Officer conducting random vehicle inspections for fish and fishing equipment.

Officers conduct these random inspections to ensure that anglers are not taking and bringing fish back from their favourite angling destinations that they are not entitled to keep. Anglers are asked to phone the 13FISH duty officer on ☎ 133 474 to report suspected illegal fishing activities.

Hopkins River Bream Recaptures

As outlined in Fish-e-Fax issues 121 and 126, the Warrnambool & District Fishcare community group, with support from local angling clubs, has caught and tagged over 1,800 bream from the Hopkins River since the program began in 1997.

To date, there have been 22 reported recaptures of these tagged bream. Some of the more recent recaptures are outlined below.

A black bream tagged and released in February 2004 near the Hopkins River bridge, measuring 35.2cm and weighing 680 grams, was recaptured in October of that year at the Bay of Biscay. The fish had been at liberty for 251 days and had grown by 0.8cm and 240 grams. The angler released the tagged fish.

A black bream tagged and released in February 2003 at Tooram Stones, measuring 38cm and weighing 800g, was recaptured in October 2004 at the Mudflats. The fish had been at liberty for 624 days and had grown by 1cm. The fish was recaptured approximately 15km downstream of where it had been tagged and released.

A black bream tagged and released near 'The Pass' in November 2002, measuring 36.5cm and weighing 650g, was recaptured in January 2005 at Gillin Park, measuring 39.5cm and weighing 900g. The fish had been at liberty for 806 days, had grown 3cm in length and 250g in weight, and was re-captured about 9 kilometres downstream of where it was originally caught and released.

A black bream tagged and released at Tooram Stones in December 2004, measuring 25.6cm in length was recaptured in January 2005 at the same location. The fish had been at liberty for 52 days, and had not grown during its short time at liberty.

If you catch a tagged bream in the Hopkins River, record the tag number, total length, whole weight, date and the location that the fish was caught. Report your recapture(s) to fishcare. southwest@dpi.vic.gov.au or check out the website www.fishcare.org.au/warrnambool for more information

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They may make the web site or come out in our newsletter.

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* a discount to normal retail prices and represent great value. It also identifies you with
* the club and helps support us.
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* \$4.00 **Club Badges:** \$4.00

**Victorian
Boat Licence Day**

20 MARCH 2005

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Club Trip Results

Con Knights Family Weekend

Eildon Pondage

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GDAC vs Police A/C Snapper

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**Fishing reports, Photos of members and catches, Goods for Sale, new or used,
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